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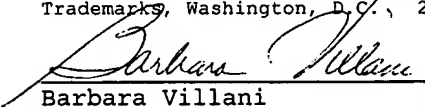
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Title: "PATTERN FORMING MEMBER APPLIED TO SECTIONING IMAGE OBSERVATION APPARATUS AND SECTIONING IMAGE OBSERVATION APPARATUS USING THEM"

Priority Claim is made, based upon:

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35 USC 120: International Appln. PCT/JP01/01710 filed March 6, 2001

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